Commissioners' Orders

Various agency commissioners are authorized to issue "commissioner's orders" on specified activities governed by their agency's enabling laws. See the *Minnesota Statutes* governing each agency to determine the specific applicable statutes. Commissioners' orders are approved by assistant attorneys general as to form and execution and published in the *State Register*. These commissioners orders are compiled in the year-end subject matter index for each volume of the *State Register*.

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Decisions on Great River Energy's Cambridge Station Project: Environmental Assessment Adequacy; Site Designation and Site Permit

At a meeting on November 10, 2005, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) determined that the Environmental Assessment for the GRE Cambridge Station Project was adequate. The Commission also designated a site and issued a Site Permit for the proposed large electric power generating plant (LEPGP). The site is located in Township 36 north, Range 23 west, Sections 21 in Isanti County, Minnesota.

On November 28, 2005, the Commission issued an Order adopting the ALJ's report, as amended and granting GRE a Site Permit to construct a large electric power generating plant.

GRE proposes to construct a 170 MW, natural-gas fired, simple cycle combustion turbine generator at its existing peaking plant site near Cambridge in Isanti County, Minnesota. The proposed facility will be located on a current generating site, approximately 13 acres in size, owned by GRE. The site currently has a 25 MW, fuel-oil fired, combustion turbine generator and associated substation.

If you have any questions about this project or would like more information, please contact the Department of Commerce project manager: Bill Storm, 85 7th Place East, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55155. Tel: 651-296-9535; e-mail: bill.storm@state.mn.us

Dated: December 5, 2005

Official Notices

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

The State Register also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Department of Agriculture

Rural Finance Authority

Notice of Meeting Schedule, Meeting via Conference Call

Future monthly meetings of the Rural Finance Authority Board are scheduled for 1:00 P.M. at 625 Robert Street North on the following dates in 2006: January 4, February 1; March 1; April 5; May 3; June 7; July 5; August 2; September 6; October 4; November 1; December 6.

Some Members may participate in certain of these meetings by electronic means. In accordance with Minn. Stat. Sec. 471.705 (1997), the Agency, to the extent practicable, will allow a person to monitor those certain meetings electronically from a remote location. If such monitoring shall occur, the Agency may require the person making such a connection to pay for documented marginal costs that the Agency incurs as a result of the additional connection. For additional information, contact Jim Boerboom, MN Dept. of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street N., St. Paul, MN 55155-2538 or call 651-201-6395.

Jim Boerboom, Assistant Commissioner Minnesota Department of Agriculture